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The blizzard yesterday morning put the electric light plant out of commission for a while and the presses in this office had to be run by the strong arm method. This issue, therefore, is a little late and also shy on editorials. Please blame it all on the storm.

## FOR THEATER IN OPEN AIR

Esperantist Declares It Would Then  
Become Wholesome, Hearty and  
Healthful.

Dr. Hoffender in a striking article entitled "An Esperanto City," which he contributes to the Strand Magazine, has a good deal to say regarding an Esperanto theater. "I am no supporter," he says, "of intramural dramatic representation. I am no opponent of the theater in its generic sense, but I am opposed to the theater as a dark, stuffy, confined dungeon. Let us have the theater in the open air and in the light of day, and then it will become a wholesome, hearty and healthful recreation. I myself made a version of 'Hamlet' in Esperanto, and it is one of the dreams of my life to see that version given in the theater of Esperanto." Dr. Hoffender's theater, we gather from the illustrations accompanying the article, is on the line of the old amphitheaters, the Colosseum at Rome, and with just a reminiscence of the Spanish bullring about it. It will seat between six and seven thousand people, and the stage will occupy the center of the arena, the actors entering in procession from one of the archways.

## WOMAN ORATOR PLEASES.

Rev. Anna C. M. Tillinghast, pastor of the Universalist church of Titusville, Pa., was invited by President Sparks to deliver the principal address at the recent dedication of the women's building at the state college. The members of the faculty were so pleased by the address that they invited her to speak again this month. Mrs. Tillinghast spoke before the Pennsylvania State Federation of Women's Clubs in Pittsburgh in October, and her eloquence was the direct cause of the movement now under way to raise \$15,000 to establish a chair of domestic science in the state college.

## MADE CLEAR.

Bacon—So you have been to Paris?  
Egbert—Yes.  
"Could you understand the people over there?"  
"Well, they always succeeded in making themselves understood when there was a hotel bill due."—Yonkers Statesman.

## FACTS IN THE CASE

"There goes the village poet."  
"Ah, I suppose that bundle under his arm is manuscript."  
"You may suppose so, but as a matter of fact that bundle contains a quart of liquor which he purchased of the village 'blind tiger.'"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

## WHAT DOES HE CATCH?

"When a married man goes for a train late in the morning he misses it," remarked the Observer of Events and Things; "but when he goes home later at night he usually catches it."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Mistake Colony.  
The government of France has mistaked a colony, and the government of Mexico has found it.

It is Clipperton Island, a little isle in the Pacific ocean, ten degrees north and 109 degrees longitude west. It is one of a large group of islands which is visited periodically by a French warship.

Some time ago, when the warship visited the island, the French sailors found soldiers there in Mexican uniform, and the Mexican flag floating serenely over the island.

The island is directly east of the mouth of the Panama canal, which gives it a certain amount of importance.

The matter has been placed in the hands of the French foreign office, and "communications are pending." The warship discovered that the French government had mistaked the island two years ago.

## WOULD HAVE READERS PAUSE

Frenchman Has Idea That More  
Punctuation Marks Could Be  
Employed with Profit.

While some language masters are discussing the propriety of abolishing several of our punctuation marks and in direct opposition to the practice of omitting these characters entirely in print, says the Temps, Prof. Leon Riequier of the Ecole Normale de la Seine, says that it is high time that a new punctuation mark be added to those now in use. He says, further, that he has given the matter years of consideration and study, and has come to the conclusion that an inverted comma terminating in "a fat dot" should be used. The professor adds that we read too much and too rapidly. The mind has no time, he says, "to pause and digest what has been read, and this is due to the fact that the punctuation is imperfect." The reformer intended at first to introduce a long and "emphatic" hyphen, but thought that the size might be considered "brutal." Prof. Riequier's punctuation scheme has been placed for consideration in the hands of the Academy of Sciences.

## OFF HIS MIND.

"My dear," said Mr. Smith to his wife one morning as he was starting for the office, "you mustn't expect me home very early to-night, as I will have to dictate 26 letters."

"All right," was the response, "but I wish you wouldn't work so hard."

He left his office at the usual hour and went to the club and sat down at the card table with three others.

"Just a moment, you fellows, before we deal the cards. I've got to keep my word with my wife. One of you must take down what I dictate: 'A, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z.' There, those letters are off my mind."

## INFORMATION.

"I have often heard," said the inquisitive foreigner, "of your—aw—'race issue.' May I ask what a race 'issue' is?"  
"Why, cert. It's my sportin' paper," answered the native.  
"Aw—thanks," rejoined the foreigner, jotting it down in his notebook.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1908.

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